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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, NI, US, XF

SUBJ: GOWON APPEAL TO US FOR ME RESTRAINT

REF: LAGOS 8306

WE UNDERSTAND PRESSURE GENERAL GOWON AND HIS GOVT ARE UNDER BUT BELIEVE ANY ACTION TAKEN IN HEAT OF MOMENT WOULD BE UNWISE. USG VERY MUCH HOPES NIGERIA WOULD AT LEAST DEFER DECISION ON CHANGE IN STATUS OF ITS RELATIONS WITH ISRAEL UNTIL CRISIS IS PAST.

2. RE GENERAL'S CONCERN OVER POSSIBLE US ARMS SUPPLIES TO ISRAEL, YOU SHOULD SAY WE HAVE SOUGHT TO BE RESTRAINED BUT MASSIVE SOVIET RESUPPLY EFFORT HAS LEFT US NO ALTERNATIVE TO MEETING ISRAEL'S URGENT NEEDS. WE APPRECIATE OPEN-MINDEDNESS INDICATED BY GOWON'S PREFATORY REMARKS TO YOU ABOUT POSSIBLE DIFFERENCES IN
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INFORMATION AVAILABLE TO US AND IN OUR ANALYSES. WE

CAN ASSURE GENERAL THAT WHATEVER USG DOES IN THIS MATTER
WILL BE SOLELY IN AIM OF ENDING HOSTILITIES UNDER
CONDITIONS NECESSARY TO ACHIEVEMENT PROGRESS TOWARD A
LASTING SETTLEMENT OF MIDDLE EAST CONFLICT.

3. SECRETARY SEEING FOREIGN MINISTER ARIKPO AND WILL
MAKE SAME POINTS ON AFTERNOON OCTOBER 16.
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